

## **MINUTES OF BOARD MEETING**

Minutes of the meeting of the Board of Directors of the Sevier River Water Users, Inc. held at Day's Inn, Richfield, Utah, Thursday, January 26, 2006 at 10:00 a.m.

Due, legal and timely notice having been given as required by law and the Order of the Board.

**There were present the following Officers and Directors:**

**PRESENT:**

Kurt Sorenson, President-Sevier County  
Blaine Ipson, Vice-President-Millard County  
Afton Blood, Director-Piute County  
Clyde L. Bunker, Director-Millard County  
Ivan Cowley, President-Sevier County  
Russell Christensen, Director-Sevier County  
Delin Roundy-Garfield County  
Dean S. Anderson, Secretary

**ABSENT:**

None

**ALSO PRESENT:**

Ray Owens, Sevier River Commissioner  
Jim Walker, Sevier River Commissioner  
Sydne Jaques, Rural Water Technology Alliance  
Kristen Bott, Rural Water Technology Alliance  
Bret Berger, Stonefly Technology

The meeting was called to order by President Kurt Sorenson who presided at the meeting. Minutes of the meeting held on April 14, 2005 were read and discussed. Ivan Cowley moved to approve the minutes as read. The motion was seconded by Blaine Ipson and passed unanimously.

Time was given to Sydne Jaques. She explained the organization of the Rural Water Technology Alliance. Currently, there are three member organizations; Sevier River Water Users, Inc. Emery County Water Conservancy District and Duchesne County Water Conservancy District. Blaine Ipson is the board member representative from the Sevier River Water Users, Inc. Sydne serves as the director. It was suggested that the next board meeting be held in conjunction with the Utah Water Users Association annual workshop which is usually held the second week of March in St. George.

Ms. Jaques noted that we still have a current working agreement with Tyler Owens who is a lobbyist in Washington D. C. He gets 3% of all grants received, plus \$1,000 per month. The RWTA was successful in getting a line item write in of \$240,000 into the Bureau of Reclamation budget for the upcoming year.

Sydne presented a copy of the "Rural Water Technology Alliance Cooperative Investigation." The board reviewed and discussed each item including a budget for the \$240,000 write in. After discussion, Blaine Ipson moved to approve and authorize the proposal for the budget and cooperative investigation. The motion was seconded by Ivan Cowley and passed unanimously.

Sydne discussed the potential for matching funds on the write in money. There is the possibility that there might be some cost share from the member organizations, but won't know for sure until later in the year.

Bret discussed the proposed budget for equipment expense under the 2025 grant. The board discussed the issue of whether the individual irrigation companies or the SRWU should pay for gate actuators on diversions that had historically been maintained by the individual companies. After discussion of the proposed budget, Ivan Cowley moved to approve the budget with the clarification that there could be additions to the wish list and other items that could be considered and added in the future. This if for both the proposed 2025 budget and the write-in budget list and proposal. The motion was seconded by Russ Christensen and passed unanimously.

Clyde Bunker moved to pay into the Rural Water Technology Alliance, an assessment in the amount of \$15,250. This amount is would be a separate line item in the budget of the Sevier River Water Users Association, Inc. The motion was seconded by Ivan Cowley and passed unanimously.

Secretary Dean S. Anderson presented an itemized categories report, income statement, balance sheet and a copy of the bank statement for December 2005. All of these financial reports were for the calendar year 2005. The board reviewed and discussed the items. Due to the amount of information and limited time, the board decided to review the information at home with a final approval at the next board meeting.

Delin Roundy noted that we had received a thank you note from the wife of Sheldon Proctor for flowers sent for his funeral.

Blaine noted that he has looked at the Articles of Incorporation. He suggested that at a future meeting the board clarify or change items to be more in line with current practices.

The board decided to have the River Commissioners clarify their "wish list" and then pass the information on to the Bureau of Reclamation.

There being no further business, Delin Roundy moved to adjourn the meeting. Upon a second from Clyde Bunker the motion was approved. The meeting adjourned at 12:15 p.m.

**ATTEST:**

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**Secretary**

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**President**